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MEMORANDUM FOR : Deputy Director for Support

SUBJECT : Operating Changes in the Office of
Security During the Past Five Years
As a Result of the New Left Movement
And Restrictions Imposed by the Concern
Over Invasion of Privacy

1. This memorandum is for information only.
2. Pursuant to your request for data concerning changes, during the past five years, in our PHS, polygraph program, and Investigations (Agents) Manual, brought about by the emergence of the New Left Movement and by restrictions, imposed by concern over invasions of privacy, the following information is offered:

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a. Section XXIV 1 of the 1966 PHS was changed in 1968 from "Do you advocate or have you ever advocated, or are you now or have you ever been a member of, or have you ever supported or been associated with any political party, individual or organization which advocates or teaches the overthrow of the government of the United States by force, violence, or other unconstitutional means, or seeks by force or violence to deny persons their rights under the Constitution of the United States?" to "Are you now or have you ever been a member of any foreign or domestic organization, association, movement,

group, or combination of persons which is totalitarian, fascist, Communist, or subversive, or which has adopted, or shows, a policy advocating or approving the commission of acts of force or violence to deny other persons their rights under the Constitution of the United States, or which seeks to alter the form of government of the United States by unconstitutional means?"

b. Section XXV 10 of the 1964 PHS was changed from "Have you, or to your knowledge has your spouse, ever been detained, arrested, indicted, or convicted for any violation of the law other than a minor traffic violation (in which the fine was less than \$25.00) in the U.S. or abroad? If so, state name of court, city, State, country, date, nature of offense and disposition of case in accordance with special instructions above." to Section XXIV 10 of the 1966 PHS to read "Have you ever been convicted in the U.S. or abroad of an offense against the law or forfeited collateral, or are you now under charges for any offense against the law? (You may omit traffic violations for which you paid a fine of \$30.00 or less.) If so, state name of court, city, state, country, date, nature of offense, and disposition of case in accordance with special instructions above."

c. The last section (Certification) of the 1966 PHS was changed during 1968 from "You are informed that the accuracy of any statement made in this application will be investigated" to "You are informed that any statement made on this application may be investigated."

3. The above changes were made in response to concern over invasion of privacy.

Polygraph Program

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a. Concern over the New Left has not required any procedural or policy changes in the polygraph program. The standard coverage for applicant and applicant-type cases designed to detect membership in or activities on behalf of questionable organizations has remained unchanged.

b. Governmental concern on the topic of invasion of privacy is reflected more in the philosophy applicable during polygraph interviews. This concern has not required the elimination of coverage. It has required, however, that questions be phrased and explained in very specific terms, that the subject know precisely what it is the examiner is after before the test begins, and that every effort be made to avoid discussion of matters not within the prescribed coverage. General questions or so-called fishing expedition questions are avoided.

5. Investigations (Agents) Manual

a. There have been no significant changes in the Agents Manual or instructions except that Headquarters has re-emphasized the admonition that we do not investigate race, religion, or normal political activities.

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c. Security support to Agency recruiters is being provided concerning college campus activities to include discreet on-the-scene assistance as well as advance state-of-affairs briefings.

d. As a result of "Invasion of Privacy" considerations, certain record information is more difficult to obtain. Wash-

ington, D. C. police records are unavailable for review. Credit Bureau information is often provided reluctantly in view of pending legislation which could limit drastically the amount and type of information which Credit Bureaus provide. Many colleges are tightening up on the amount and type of information which is provided our investigators.



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MEMORANDUM FOR:

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Executive Staff

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SUBJECT : Changes in the Polygraph Program

1. This is in response to your inquiry regarding changes in the polygraph program originating with concern over (a) the New Left, or (b) invasion of privacy.

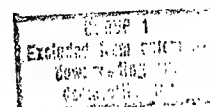
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Remarks:

The attached information was requested by the DDS. He is scheduled to brief the DDP concerning the New Left on 18 February 1970.

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